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PROPOSALS SENT TO ORIENT

Red River Breaks Through Levee in Louisiana Tuesday

Monroe Citizens Fighting as Ouachita Continues to Rise

KING VISITS AREA

Conditions In Flooded District Described as Near Catastrophe

MONROE, La. — (AP) — While Monroe is fighting a record breaking flood on the Ouachita river, word was received from Alexandria that 50 to 100 feet of Red river levee had given way Tuesday on the north bank of the river in Avoyelles parish.

The crevasses is below Alexandria and is expected to relieve the pressure on the dikes there.

The break is reported to be 45 miles down the river from Alexandria.

All residents in the path of the water have been forewarned.

King Visits Area

MONROE, La. — (AP) — Describing flood conditions in north Louisiana as approaching a catastrophe, Governor Alvin O. King and Raymond H. Fleming, adjutant general, late Monday promised to see that the situation is placed before the federal government.

Traveling in boats through the area of Colfax, small stricken town on the Red river in Grant parish above Alexandria, the official party spent the entire day on inspection and will visit Monroe, seat of the unprecedented Ouachita river flood.

The state officials told J. W. Dunn, chairman of the Glassie parish chapter of the Red Cross, that at least 100 tents were needed immediately to house 250 families who are camped on high ground at Colfax.

Both the Ouachita and the Red river below Shreveport, are in new record stages from continued heavy rains. The black river is backing flood waters over wide acreages in Catahoula and lower Concordia parishes, surrounding Jonesville.

The Atchafalaya is flooded in the sugar bowl country of south Louisiana and the Mississippi river is nearly two feet above flood stage at Arkansas City and Vicksburg and just in flood stage at Baton Rouge.

The Tennessee river at Chattanooga is rising slowly, threatening to reach flood stage of 33 feet, inconveniencing lowland residents.

Small streams were lowering today in east Kentucky and the Tallahatchie river flood in Mississippi was drifting down into Sharkey and Issaquena counties from the Yazoo inundation in Humphries and Yazoo counties.

Monroe Hit Hardest

Monroe was the hardest hit city in the flood sections, but clear weather was aiding a flight along 20 miles of levees on the Ouachita and prospects for holding the levees brightened.

Five thousand men were thrown into the battle against the Ouachita river and practically all labor in Monroe was sent behind the dikes to continue the fight.

High schools closed in Monroe and students went in to battle the high water. Many business houses suspended temporarily.

Tensas parish officials announced that the levees at Monroe and West Monroe appeared to be able to stand the strain, but if there were further rains the situation would become serious.

The United States steamboat Bergeland left for Buckhorn Bend, a few miles below Monroe, with 50 workers and 50,000 sandbags to mend crevasses of last week which are flooding a large part of Ouachita parish.

The river at Monroe was nearly 10 feet above flood stage with an inch or two more of water predicted.

At Alexandria, the Red River was nearly a foot higher than the 1927 high mark of 42.35 feet and was predicted to reach 44 to 44.5 feet in the next few days. Flood stage at Alexandria is 3 feet. A thousand men were employed on the levees in the Alexandria area.

Red river above Colfax was reported at a standstill. The town was protected from inundation of recent crevasses by the embankment of the Louisiana and Arkansas railroad.

Womanless Tea to Be Held Next Tuesday

The womanless tea which was to have been held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey McRae, East Third street, Tuesday night, has been postponed until Tuesday, January 9, on account of the death of H. Clyde Hill, sponsor of the tea announced Tuesday noon.

Hope High School to Play Williville On Wednesday

The Hope High school basketball team will go to Williville Wednesday afternoon where they have two games scheduled. The afternoon game will take place at 3:30 and the night game at 7:30.

Mr. A. Groundhog Quits in Disgust!



Missing Airplanes Subject of Search in Many Sections

Thirteen or More Occupants Feared Dead in Separated Sections

MAIL PLANE MISSING

Grave Concern Expressed for Those Lost by Air Officials

(By Associated Press)

Off the Florida coast and in widely separated sections of the country, researchers went forward Tuesday for missing airplanes.

Fear was expressed that thirteen or more of their occupants were dead.

A pontoon equipped craft of the Bimini Airways, disappeared en route from Miami to Bimini, Bahamas Islands carrying a pilot and four passengers.

Observers said that the waves were so high that the ship could not float if it were forced down.

Hampered by snow and cold clouds, a search was concentrated near Cobblestone Mountain, California for the Century Pacific Liner, missing since Friday, with eight persons.

Army Reserve Officer, Lieutenants Edward Hoffman and William Cooke, Junior, disappeared with an observation plane en route from Glendale, California, to San Francisco.

Francis Rust, mail pilot was lost en route from Kalamazoo to Chicago.

J. Augustus Groundhog, weather prophet for these many years Tuesday quit his job in disgust, though this is the day he is supposed to do his stuff.

"I'm through," said J. Augustus. "What's the use of trying to make predictions in a year like this when the weather has gone completely haywire?" With mid-winter sunstroke in the east and snow in sunny California, it's got me baffled.

"Anyway, this Groundhog Day stuff is all a lotta bunk. If I peeked out of a hole in New York to look for my shadow this year, I'd probably run the risk of getting my nose sunburned; in California, I'd probably get it frost-bitten. And that would never do."

Had J. Augustus been on the job Tuesday and vomited forth from his hole to seek his shadow, he could not have found it as the day was cloudy, and thus he would have predicted the end of winter.

County Judges to Demand Turnback

Ruthven of Baxter Criticizes Highway Department Proposal

MOUNTAIN HOME—County Judge Ruthven of Baxter county, who is secretary of the Arkansas County Judges Association, strongly objects to the plan of the state Highway Commission to take the one-cent turnback from the gasoline tax from the counties.

Judge Ruthven criticized the resolution adopted by the state Highway Commission Friday, which asks the governor to call a special session of the legislature, to pass legislation which would deprive the counties of this revenue.

"It seems to me that the state Highway Commission has made a blunder," he said. "They propose to take the one cent tax which goes to the counties and apply it on the bonded indebtedness of special districts in the various counties, so these bonds will not fall back on the taxpayers of the counties.

"The presumption that these bonds will fall back on the counties is ridiculous. Regardless of present road contracts, or new construction, the people will not tolerate having the bonds come back on them."

"The bonded counties have been charged with this indebtedness and the amount of the bonds in each county has been withheld from their apportionment of highway funds. Unbonded counties have been given cash, in new construction to offset these debts in the bonded counties.

"Now if these bonds, which have been assumed by the Highway Department for the bonded counties are not paid, it is no fault of the taxpayers in those counties, and this issue is too dangerous even to anticipate. I have no criticism of anyone, but if an error has been made in financial reckoning, some one is at fault and it is not the taxpayers in the bonded counties. They never will be compelled to again assume that burden."

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Mrs. Caraway Again Takes Senate Oath

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Mrs. Hatlie W. Caraway celebrated her birthday Monday by taking the oath as the first "duly elected" woman senator.

Widow of the late senator from Arkansas, Mrs. Caraway dressed in black, was escorted to the desk by Senator Robinson, minority leader, and was sworn by Senator Moses, president pro tempore.

She had been sworn once previously, but that was after she had been appointed by the governor of her state. She was elected January 12 to fill out the unexpired term of her husband which ends March 4, 1933.

Only Third Have New Car Licenses

2,000 Autos Believed Delinquent in Hempstead County

With probably less than a third of Hempstead county's auto licenses secured when the deadline expired Monday night, 2,000 car owners are facing possible arrest by state authorities.

Sheriff John L. Wilson refused to assess the \$3 penalty on licenses secured Tuesday, although Governor Parnell had granted no further extension of time.

Sheriff Wilson would not say how long the local office intended honoring licenses applications without penalty, but it is understood that regardless of the sheriff's action, car owners who drive on the public highways without a 1932 license are subject to arrest by the state patrolmen.

Many cars probably will be put up for a time, either until the owners are able to pay for the new license, or until the half-rate goes into effect next July.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Clarence Baker, in charge of the sheriff's office in Hope city hall, reported Tuesday afternoon that a total of 850 applications had been handled at this one point, with other licenses being issued at Washington and possibly Blevins.

As there are more than 3,000 cars in the county, it appeared unlikely that one-third were covered with 1932 licenses up to Tuesday noon.

Big Credit Agency Ready For Work

Dawes, Couch and Jones Commissions Signed by Hoover

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Reconstruction Finance Corporation was ready Monday night to go to the aid of American business and agriculture with the commissions of its directors formally signed by President Hoover.

To meet demands for speed, the Senate waived its rules and sent to the White House two days early the confirmation of Charles G. Dawes as president and Harvey C. Couch, and Jesse Jones as directors.

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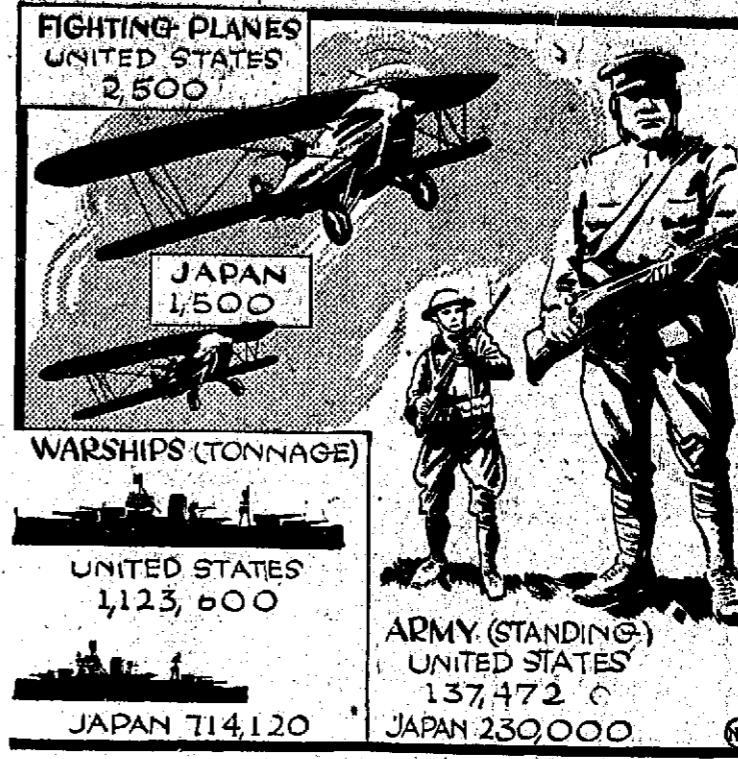
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U. S. Excels Japan In Air And On Sea, But Army Is Smaller



These sketches show comparative strength of the armies, navies and air forces of the United States and Japan. The United States has a superior air force and a heavier navy, but the Japanese have a much larger standing army.

The Japanese standing army of 230,000 dwarfs the American force of 127,422, but the actual war strength of either nation is problematical, in view of Japan's compulsory military training and the United States' National Guard and reserve power.

They decided to make further diplomatic efforts to stop it.

There was a fierce battle between the Japanese and the Chinese.

A fierce battle which will be the most severe now since the Japanese invaded Manchuria began Tuesday morning with terrific shelling of the battle sector by Japanese artillery, the guns of the warships on the river and air bombers are reported to have joined.

Fifteen thousand Chinese troops in the Shanghai area staunchly resisted the attack and retaliated by setting fire to Hongkew, the Japanese section of the international settlement, forcing the withdrawal of the Japanese and preparations for evacuations of Japanese citizens in vessels on the river.

This menace of serious fighting overshadowed Nanking where a strong detachment of Japanese blackjackets landed under the very eyes of the Chinese troops on the Hsiang river front.

LONDON—(AP)—The Great Northern Cable Company Tuesday announced censorship had been imposed on cablegrams from China.

Funeral Service Held at 3 P. M. From Home on North Pine

Clyde Hill Buried Here on Tuesday

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Funeral services for H. Clyde Hill, who died suddenly Monday, were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the family home on North Pine street, with Rev. Charles Collins, of Hot Springs, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery here.

The pallbearers were: David Finley, John Barlow, Dorsey McRae, George Brannon, Dr. P. B. Carrigan, R. G. McRae, Charles B. Foster and Ross Gillespie.

FRANKLIN, Tex.—(AP)—Cotton limitation by law, attempted as a relief measure from overproduction in many sections of the South, lost in its first encounter with Texas courts Monday.

Judge W. C. Davis of the 85th district court held the measure to be unconstitutional and void.

As a test of the Texas law, passed at a special session of the 42nd Texas legislature, T. L. Tyson, Robertson county attorney, sought an injunction to prevent Fred L. Smith, farmer of Calvert, from planting to cotton this year more than 30 per cent of the total acreage he had in cultivation last year.

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TO FOSTER THE CITY, TO FOSTER COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, THROUGH WIDELY
ADVERTISED AND FURNISHED THAT CHECK UPON GOVERNMENT WHICH
HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE."—Col. R. R. McCormick.

The Star's Platform

CITY

Keep the revenues of the municipal power plant to develop the
natural and social resources of Hope.
City payment in 1932, and improved sanitary conditions in
the city and business backyards.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

County highway program providing for the construction of a
certain amount of all-weather road each year, to gradually reduce the
cost of maintenance.

Financial and economic support for every scientific agricultural
method which offers practical benefits to Hempstead county's greatest
resource, farmer organizations, believing that co-operative effort
is practical as the country as it is in town.

STATE

Continued progress on the state highway program.
Tax reform, and a more efficient government through the
system of expenditures.

Assessments—a Strange Story

MONDAY the Arkansas Supreme Court repudiated the attempt of St. Francis and Phillips counties to cut their assessments 25 per cent for the relief of local taxpayers, holding that "the constitution contemplates there shall be uniformity in assessment of values as far as practical" over the entire state.

And yet I am told that some years ago when the City of Hope wished to pave its streets and found its total assessment wouldn't warrant the bond issue, and one of my illustrious predecessors carried a newspaper fight to Little Rock for investigation of local assessments, the state authorities eventually discovered that Hope assessments were higher than elsewhere!

The evasion of Arkansas' 50 per cent assessment law is one of the outstanding cases of nullification in the country. Where taxation ordinarily is regulated by the millage rate, in Arkansas it is controlled by the assessing system.

A prominent school man, not himself a teacher or school official, told me recently that every time the schools obtained an increase in millage, the assessments went down almost proportionately. I do not guarantee the statement, but readers can appraise the facts for themselves.

What occurs to me at this time is not a question of greater or less taxation, but the primitive injustice of an assessment system like Arkansas', which works to the advantage of the rich holder of intangible wealth, and to the disadvantage of the small holder of real estate.

Tax assessors shouldn't be close to the people. They shouldn't be elective at all. They ought to work out of a central state office, on a hard and fast standard of values.

Arkansas has enough special taxes nowadays almost to lift the last penny of taxation off the land. Eventually it must come. It might be here now, but for the ignoring of much of the intangible wealth.

The New York Scandal

THERE are two good reasons why the municipal scandals in New York City are of interest to the rest of the country. In the first place, Governor Roosevelt is a candidate for the presidency; in the second place, Manhattan, like Chicago, has become a vast microscope in which the common evils of American municipal government are enlarged so that they can be studied easily.

It is proper, then, for us provincials to look into things a bit, and the most striking thing that meets our eyes is the catastrophic way in which the accepted easy-going moral standards that we have permitted our public officials to adopt can bring forth evil.

Defenders of Tammany's regime in New York have cried out indignantly that the Seabury investigation has not, except in a few instances, shown any actual, provable-corruption. It has concerned itself, they complain, with the private affairs of public men, which are not the public's business.

Now that is precisely the point of the whole matter. We have let ourselves believe that a public official can have private affairs. We have let ourselves believe that there are certain perquisites that go with public office—perquisites of the "honest graft" variety, which may be slightly dubious but which do not really make any difference. And these assumptions are the cause of the whole trouble.

If a man holding public office, at a salary of \$6000 a year, manages during five years to bank \$200,000—well, as Tammany's defenders say, that doesn't really prove anything. But our standards for officeholders ought to be so strict that such a man would be thrown out on his ear without delay.

What the Seabury evidence makes perfectly clear is that a public official must stand up so straight that he leans over backward. He must avoid even the appearance of evil. He must not profit, even by the most indirect means, from the fact that he is in an official position.

A public official, in short, cannot have a private life. The strictest of all standards must be applied to him. Until we adopt such standards, and make them stick, we shall continue to have repetitions of this miserable business in New York.

Central American Revolts

CENTRAL AMERICAN wars are usually looked upon, north of the Rio Grande at least, as savoring slightly of the comic opera. It is hard to take them seriously. We picture for ourselves rival mobs of untrained, poorly equipped and miserably led "soldiers" who will shoot three volleys and then run—and the side which manages to defer running the longer will win, and the casualties will be exceeding low.

Perhaps it works out that way a good deal. But the current uprising in El Salvador seems to be something else. When two thousand people can be killed in one day's fighting, in as small a country as that, it is evident that the fighting is being carried on in grim earnest. A Central American insurrection attended by such heavy casualties is nothing to laugh

America and Japan

I find a surprisingly large number of people who take it for granted that the United States may be sucked into the Sino-Japanese war.

Personally I am in favor of their volunteering at once. The curiosity some folks have for exploring a hornets' nest will never be satisfied until they have persuaded the hornets to take after them.

Fighting the greatest Asiatic Power on its home ground, at more than twice the distance Europe is, might be a picnic for a fool but would relieve our children of the delusion of grandeur which obsessed their parents.

Actually, the Shanghai situation calls for an international police raid—not a war. The United States will be one of four nations swinging a billy-club to protect its own citizens against the warring Chinese and Japs; and we should take care while doing so that England, France and Italy don't go off and leave us with a war all our own.

After our last American experience it ought to be obvious that any time America dines out with her neighbors we are likely to be left with the check.

The gravest danger before our people is that they will underestimate the power of the Japanese, and misunderstand the trade factors which could turn a Japo-American war into a European bonanza and an American disaster.

Japan holds in the Orient the same dominant military and industrial position enjoyed by Germany in Europe prior to the World war. The Japanese take Asia's raw materials and turn them into manufactured goods, selling them back to Asia. But the European powers are represented in the same business. Japan happens to be America's best customer in the Far East, and if we allow ourselves to be drawn into a position more honorable than Europe, then in addition to some European bad debts we shall have a cancelled Asiatic account. I'm not insinuating Europe would steal the Japanese trade away from us—I'm stating it for a fact.

This, of course, is only a threatened danger. The actual problem is China, whose complete governmental breakdown, with civil war and banditry throughout the provinces, has caused Japan to take action. We Americans, sympathetic for the underdog, wonder what can be done about China—but as one observer pointed out last Sunday, "The Japanese say to the world that China is no longer a nation; it is merely a geographical division."

It would be wise, before concerning ourselves with justice for China, first to get law for China. A people can live without justice, but no nation can live without law. There was a Caesar when Christ was born, and there will have to be some semblance of government on the part of the Chinese before the rest of the world can do anything for them. Trade and civilization depend on orderly processes—and whether

we trade with China as a Chinese nationalist government, or a protectorate of Japan, depends entirely on the Chinese.

The American people would do well, also, to remind themselves that their own house is on fire. Thirty years after the Spanish-American war we still find ourselves holding onto the Philippines although we promised 12 million Malays independence the day we went into Manila—and have been lying about it ever since, simply because Americans have a few million dollars invested in what they knew from the start was a temporary venture in the islands.

Yet the Philippines lie farther east than Japan does—farther from our American coast. They cannot be defended in war. The nearest American naval base is Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, under the shadow of California. Yet these far-off islands with their tariff-free copra going into the manufacture of artificial butter, soap, and other vegetable oil products, hurt our native far mgoos; and by their proximity to Asia keep us perpetually entangled in a political situation for which there is neither rhyme nor reason.

What the American people need in this the 156th year of their independence is a philosophy of statesmanship that will indicate both to the people at home and to our commercial explorers abroad just where we will draw the line of American power and protection and influence.

We are encumbered with useless and dangerous possessions, picked up haphazardly in sentimental wars, and we are strung out too often and too far.

I am reminded of that chapter of ancient history which to me has always seemed more inspiring than any conquest. It is the story of a surrender. And it happened in Old Rome.

The Emperor Trajan (98-117 A. D.) had extended the Roman Empire over all the known world. It reached from Gibraltar to India. The Roman legions literally ran themselves to death keeping up with it.

The next emperor, Hadrian (117-138), cared more for the safety of the populace than its applause. He took a pruning knife and cut off the Far East provinces. He trimmed the Roman Empire down to Constantinople—and Historian Ridpath, where I read it as a boy in knickerbockers years ago, says that by this one courageous act the Emperor Hadrian perpetuated the Roman Empire a thousand years. Actually the Constantinople division stood until 1453, when the Turks captured it.

It is not what a nation has, that counts, but what it can hold. And the Japanese war scare will have been worth while if it focuses American opinion on our shameful capture and dangerous occupation of the Philippines—whose independence, by the way, has been a Democratic platform plank for 30 years.—W.

Boy Bus Hero Honored Again



Political Announcements

The Star is authorized to announce the following candidates entered in the Democratic primary election August 9, 1932:

HEMPSTEAD COUNTY

For Sheriff

SIMON M. SUTTO

DRUGGIST

HOPE

Mr. B. BROOK

Mr. J. B. PONCE

Mr. J. M. MAKER

Mr. J. M. KRE

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At the Saenger

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

Greta Garbo and Ramon Novarro in "Mata Hari," with Lewis Stone and Lionel Barrymore. Added subjects, Paramount News, Screen Souvenirs.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

"The Manhattan Parade," an all technicolor production, starring Winifred Lightner and Charles Butterworth, Smith & Dale Comedy.

SATURDAY ONLY

Double program—Bob Custer in "The Law of the Rio Grande." Also "Ponrord and Sam." Added short subjects, "Galloping Ghost," and Cartoon.

Ruth Judd Held Praeox Sufferer

Insanity Expert Says Alleged Trunk Murderess "Has Delusions"

PHOENIX, Ariz.—(AP)—Opening volleys in the battle of psychiatrists were fired by the defense Monday in the Winnie Ruth Judd murder trial after Dr. W. C. Judd had described his wife as a frustrated woman who "dwelt on thoughts of a child."

Dr. George W. Stephens, superintendent of the Arizona State Hospital for Insane, testified Mrs. Judd "did not know right from wrong" on last October 6 when Agnes Anne Le Ro and Hedwig Samuels were slain.

"She has paranoid delusions, particularly in regard to people," Dr. Stephens said, adding that she still suffers from "dementia praecox with a paranoid fixation." The psychiatrist said the slender, bobbed-haired defendant had told him a number of things that he was satisfied were not true.

Dr. Judd told of his wife's plans for a child, which never materialized, and said that at times she seemed to believe she had a baby.

The trial was resumed Monday after a recess of several days due to the illness of two jurors and Mrs. Judd, who was suffering from a severe cold. Mrs. Judd protested against resumption of the case and was threatened with being handcuffed before she abandoned her flight. Physicians had said she was able to return to the court room.

Mrs. Judd, Dr. Stephens said he had observed, suffered from irresponsibility of emotions.

Canary-Mouse Trap

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—Mrs. Mary Kohl was setting a trap for a mouse when the telephone rang. She answered it and while talking, "Jimmy," her pet canary, who had the run of the house, approached the trap to taste of the choice cheese with which it was baited. He pecked at it and the trap sprung, breaking his neck.

Dallas, Tex.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met in monthly business session on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ralph Rounton on Pine street. A most inspiring devotion was given by Mrs. Henry Stuett, using the 13th chapter of

Pat Cleburn Chapter of U. D. will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington their regular monthly meeting on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at home of Miss Maggie Bell on Main street, with Mrs. W. W. Green, Mrs. S. L. Reed, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. J. K. Green as hosts.

Circle No. 4 of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist church held their regular monthly meeting on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ralph Rounton on Pine street. A most inspiring devotion was given by Mrs. Henry Stuett, using the 13th chapter of

Miss Agatha Matthews left Monday for San Marcos, Tex., where she will attend the South Western Texas Teachers college.

Mrs. C. C. McNeill and little daughter, Peggy are spending a few days visiting with friends and relatives in

The Screen's Most Perfect Lovers in

"MATA HARI"

With—

Lewis Stone and Lionel Barrymore

Coming Thursday

"MANHATTAN PARADE"

The Season's Greatest Laugh Riot

MALCO'S

SAenger

Every Picture Our Honored Guest

The House of Hits

Hitt's Shoe Store to Open Thursday

Brown-Bilt Store Owned by Henry Hitt and Ralph Bailey

Hope's new and exclusive shoe store is to be formally opened Thursday, according to an announcement in yesterday's Hope Star. To be known as Hitt's Brown-bilt Shoe Store, it is owned by Henry Hitt, who resigned from Geo. W. Robison & Co. last month to go into business for himself; and Ralph Bailey, who was for several years with the firm of T. R. Billingsley, and its predecessor, Johnson, Billingsley & Ridgill, of 110 East Second street.

Free souvenirs are announced with each purchase of shoes Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Also, all visitors are to be presented with a souvenir gift in honor of the opening. The store is located at 109 West Second street. Carpenters and painters are finishing the work of remodeling the store day, and the entire opening shoe stock has arrived, and is now being placed in their shelves. The newly constructed display windows, and the handsome interior of the store add to the appearance of the shopping district.

L. D. Sikes, factory representative of the Brown-bilt Shoe Manufacturing company, arrived in Hope Monday, to assist in arranging the store, and in conducting the opening. He expects to remain here all week. Sikes states that the new establishment is similar to several hundred other such stores, which handle his line of shoes; each of them being owned by men in the town in which they are situated; but which are stocked and operated according to plans that have proven successful in similar towns. This assistance from the manufacturer in merchandising and advertising has enabled Brown-bilt shoe stores to sell shoes for a low retail price, Mr. Sikes told The Star today.

Treasury Still Stands Firm for Tax Increase

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Despite the decision of both democratic and republican members of the house ways and means committee to increase no taxes on 1931 incomes, the treasury remains firm for the retroactive raise.

Undersecretary Mills so informed Speaker Garner at a conference, adding that the only alternative was a greater increase in miscellaneous taxes if the budget were to be balanced in two years.

The congressional stand, however, remained firm. Monday the committee will hold an executive session on the revenue bill which must be drawn. Hearings will be reopened the next day, and continued until those who have their views to offer complete their cases, permitting the drafting to go on. The bill should be ready for the house some time after Feb. 15.

Italian Farmer Uearths Effigy of Roman Ruler

NAPLES.—(AP)—While plowing at Pozzuoli near here, a farmer unearthed a beautiful marble statue of the Emperor Adrianus, more than 1,000 years old.

The head, right arm and left foot were missing but were found nearby. The statue, more than eight feet in height, has been placed in the National Museum of Naples.

Mrs. J. F. Brewer, Jr., of Little Rock arrived Tuesday for a visit with her parents, Judge and Mrs. L. F. Higginson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Porterfield announced the marriage of their daughter, Dove to Ed C. Brown. The wedding took place on Monday afternoon February 1, at Texarkana, with Dr. R. O. Brunk pastor of the First Christian church reading the service. The wedding was attended by Mrs. J. S. Roush, Mrs. Ed Brunazzi, Mrs. Jimmie Alexander and Mrs. Daisy Hutchinson. Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Brown motored to Hope, where they will be at home at 315 West Division street.

Mrs. C. C. McNeill and little daughter, Peggy are spending a few days visiting with friends and relatives in

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Clinton, Miss.—(AP)—The first order in 32 years sending regular American army troops to China was written Sunday on a scratch pad.

I am of opinion that it is ungrateful for the administration to make such adjustments to considerate date while Governor and captive, Senator, and General Douglas MacArthur went to the former's office.

Drafting their orders quickly, they handed them to Major General Van H. Moseley, deputy chief of staff.

He, in turn, sat down at a typewriter in his absent stenographer's office and using one finger at a time carefully typed out the instructions.

A scientist has suggested saving a \$60 million by

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Students at Ashland College, Ashland, Ohio, may be a little ahead of themselves, but they've already named Mary Ann Scarborough, above, Queen of the May as well as the most beautiful co-ed in school. Her home is in Nova, Ohio.

His Big Mistake

BALTIMORE, Md.—Harry C. Liedlich will be more careful of the roads he picks from now on. He turned on to a railroad track, thinking it was an automobile highway. As he drove down the bumpy roadbed he saw a fast express rolling along toward him. He managed to leap out of the car before the train plowed into it, wrecking it completely.

During 1931 a million country folk moved to big cities. Maybe they were seeking a little solitude.



THEY'RE DOTTY ABOUT DOTTY

Dorothy Mackaill's great-great something-or-other was Bobbie Burns, the famous Scotch poet, and she's as popular in Hollywood as golf—another Scotch import. Her favorite pet is a Brazilian monkey. You see the monk in the new FIRST NATIONAL PICTURE, "SAFE IN HELL." Dorothy has smoked LUCKIES for six years, and not a cent was paid for her statement, so we're making a swooping bow and saying, "Thanks, Dorothy Mackaill."

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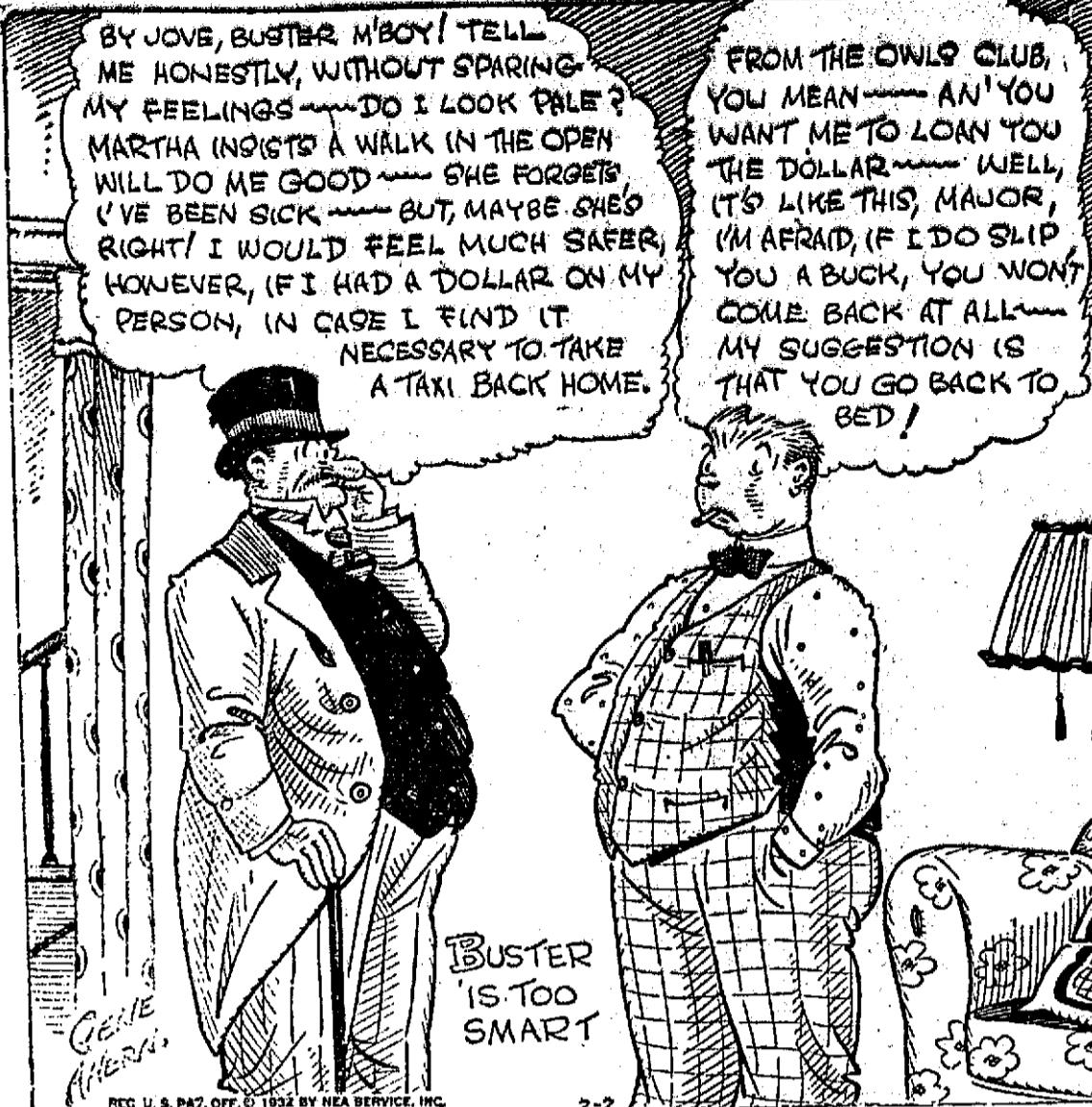


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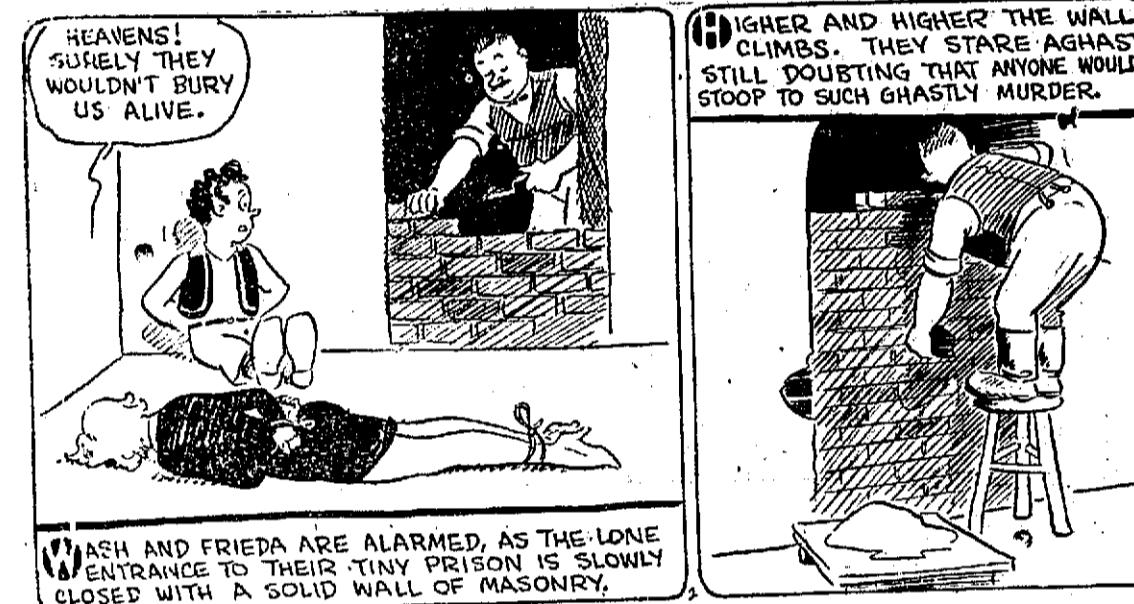


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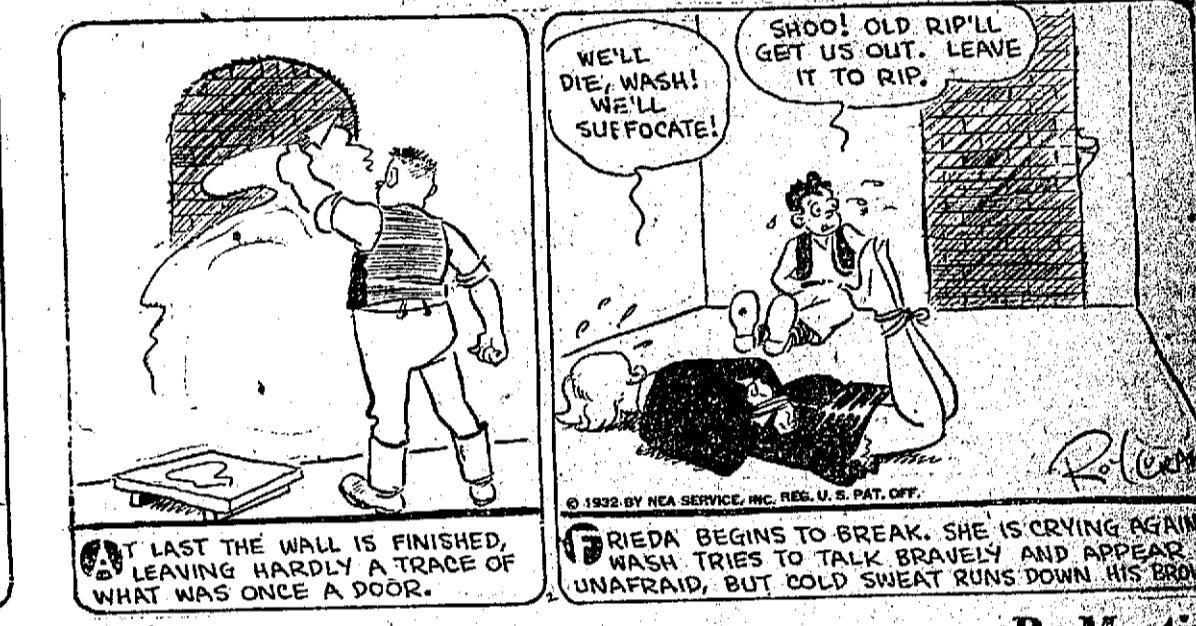
By George Clark



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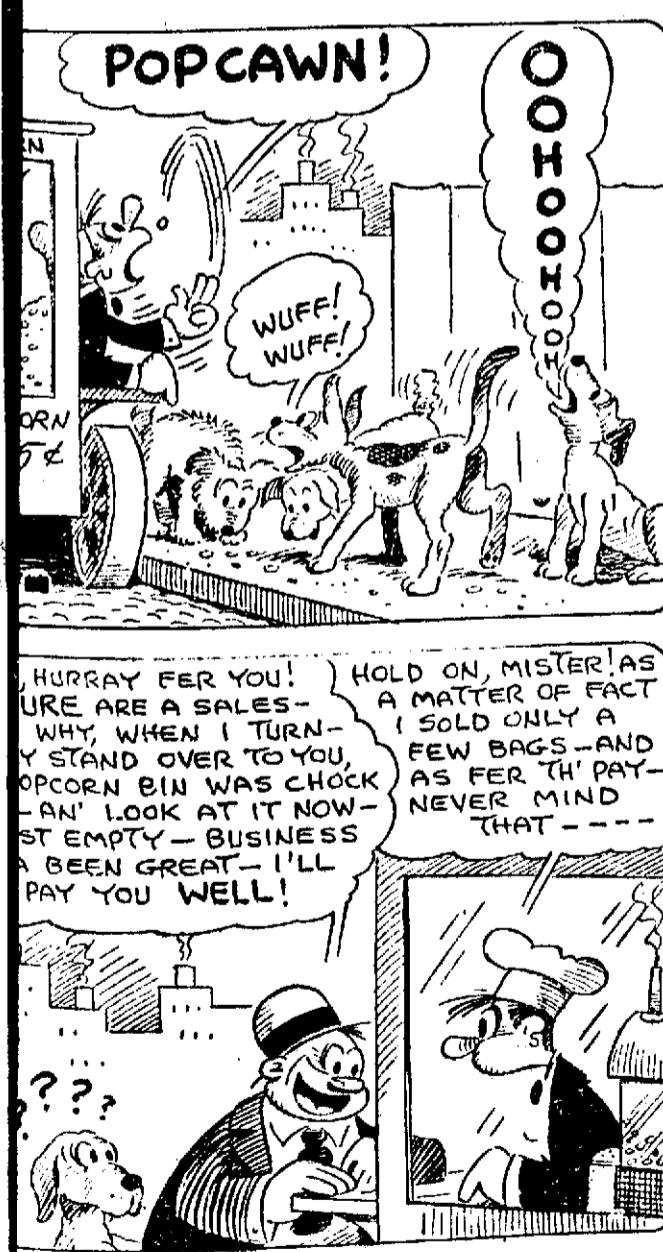
Walled In!

you think he's so grand, why don't you ever bring
me to meet me — your own father?"

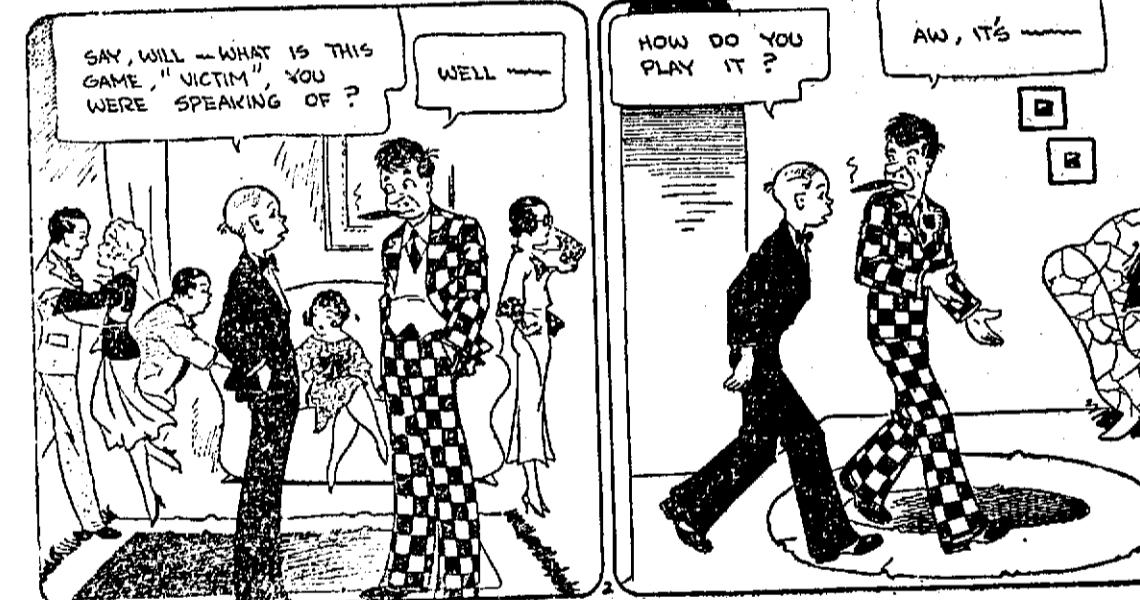
SMAN SAM

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Sam Gets a Meal!



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

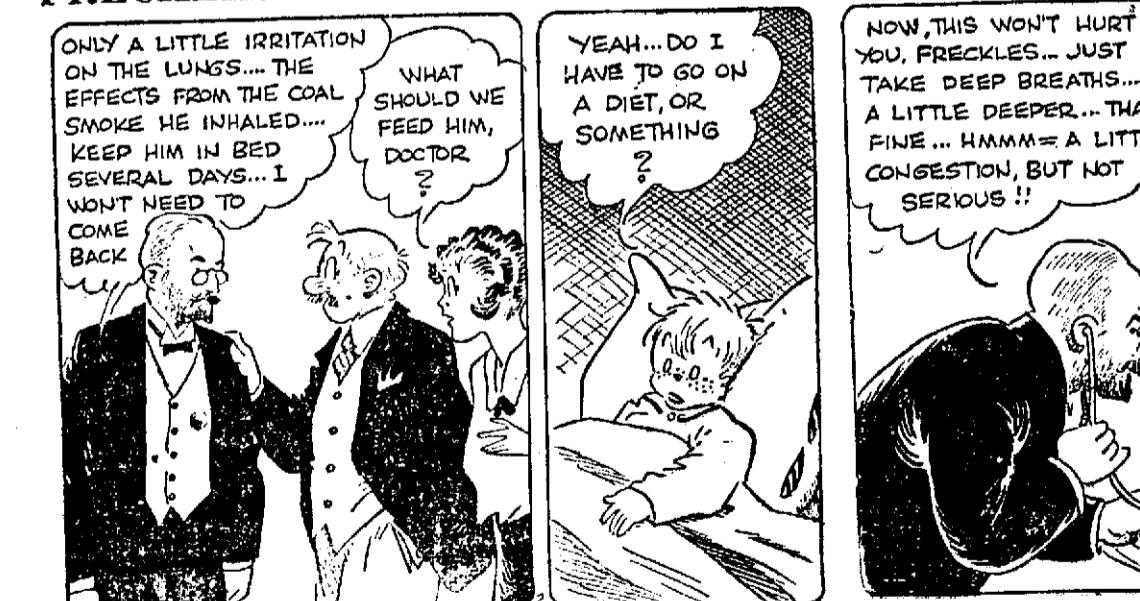


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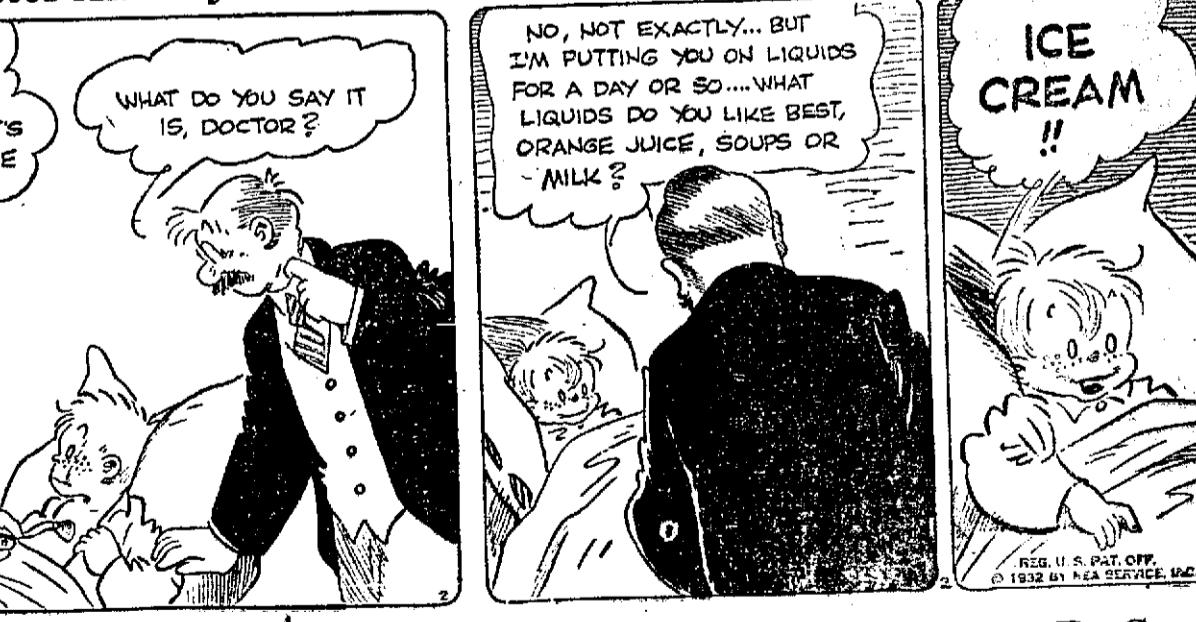


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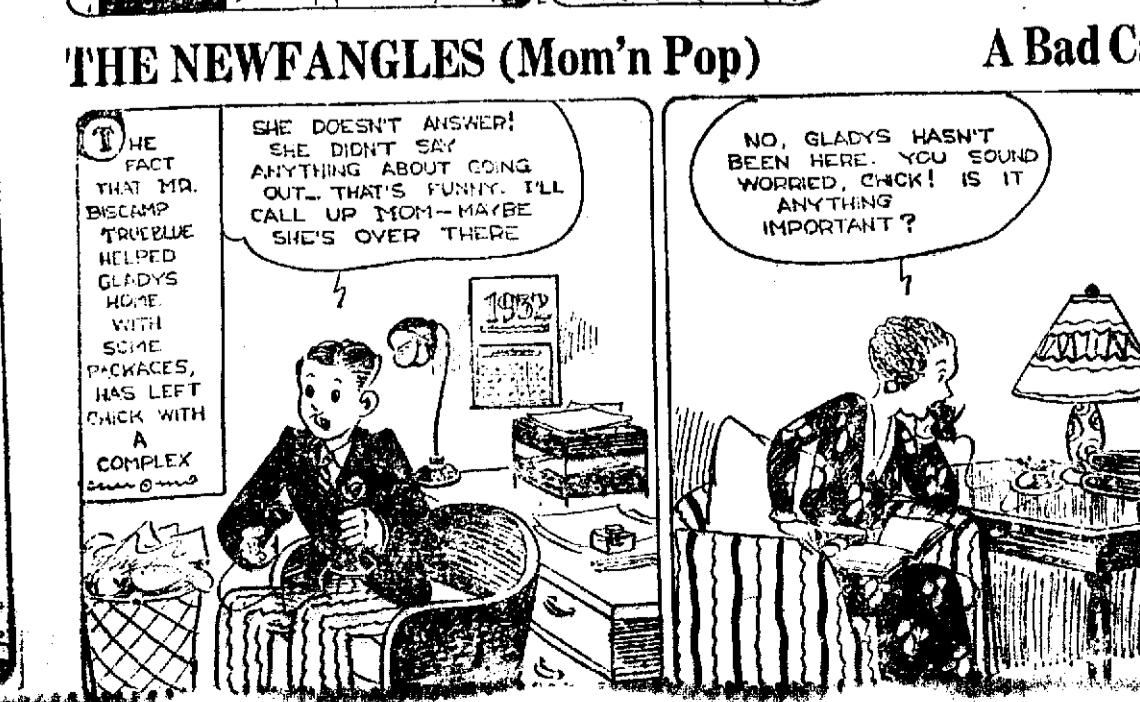
FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



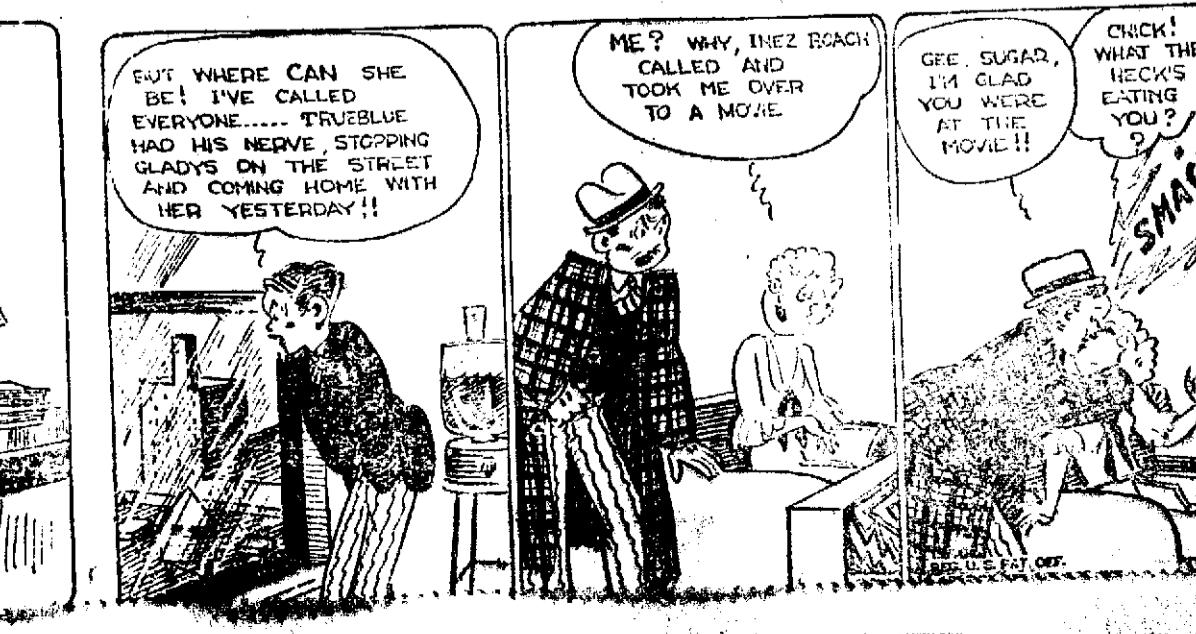
He's Better Already!



By Blosser



A Bad Case of Green Eye!



By Cowan

THE NEWFANGLES (Mom'n Pop)

By Cowan

WHITE Team
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Games Scheduled to Be Played Friday Afternoon and Night.

The general public is invited to attend a basketball game on next Friday afternoon and night between the strong Thornton Arkansas high school team and Willville.

The games will be played at the Willville Gymnasium. The first game will begin at 6:30 in the afternoon and the final game will begin at 9:30.

Thornton quintet is reported to be one of the strongest teams in the south part of the state. Willville also has a team with a splendid reputation, winning 26 games out of 30 played.

Willville is located in Nevada County on a gravel highway from

COUNTY JUDGES

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County is depending, and this continuation to deprive county roads of their tax base by statute is having a disastrous effect on county roads. Work cannot be planned or taken up as long as funds due to them are arbitrary, and a constant right is kept up to avoid paying them.

If there was the slightest doubt about the counties not getting their one-cent turnback, all work on county roads would stop at once. Some published statements say that funds derived from this one-cent tax have been used to retire special road districts funds to save the districts. This is wrong. All state highway funds come from the common pot, and it is not as reasonable to state that the revenue derived from this one-cent tax was used to pay over-head or to build or maintain state highways.

Every county judge wants to co-operate with the state Highway Department in every way and appreciates the department's present predicament.

However, such tactics as trying to double up the counties one-cent tax do not help the department very much. Without this tax, the counties would be in the same predicament as the department. Benton county has had no representative since the death of W. U. McCabe. But a special session is called for the purpose of depriving the counties of their one-cent turnback, no doubt a special election will be called to elect a representative."

25 YEARS AGO

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seventy-eight vice-presidents. Besides having 58 second vice-presidents, and 11 assistant cashiers. According to their financial statement on December 31, they have deposits of 12½ million dollars. Their capital was listed at 18 million, and surplus 12 million. Total resources were but 12 million short of two billion dollars.

Friends and acquaintances among Arkansas bankers are proud of this former member of their ranks, who is still connected with the Little Rock Bank. They like to tell how "Charley" McCain appears at meetings of the Arkansas Bankers Association, always with a ready smile and a hearty greeting for those who attend. He usually knows them all, especially if they have ever attended former meetings.

LONG ILLNESS FATAL

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preached the Primitive Baptist faith on Sunday. While he was still a child, Dr. Autry's parents moved to western Arkansas where he was educated in private and public schools. Later he attended Buckner College at Witcherville and William Jewell College of Liberty, Mo.

At 19, Dr. Autry entered the Baptist ministry, to which he devoted his entire life. He served as pastor at Bonneville, Magazine, Springdale, Dardanelle, Hope, Nashville and Little Rock. He was formerly pastor of Fa-lal Heights, Baptist church here.

Dr. Autry also was an independent evangelist, and an enlistment missionary of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., and had served as state evangelist in Arkansas and as financial agent for Ouachita College of Arkadelphia.

Dr. Autry was president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in 1922, 1923 and 1922. He also had been moderator of the Pulaski County Association, and a member of the Boards of Trustees of Ouachita and Central colleges and of the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans, La.

His associates considered Dr. Autry an unusual preacher, and he was successful in many revival meetings. He was well known as a debater, and in his earlier days engaged in many religious debates. Dr. Autry was the author of several books, and also wrote for Baptist papers and magazines.

In April, 1891, Dr. Autry married Miss Mary Esther Nifong. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Walter C. Brooks of Russellville and Miss Esther Autry, teacher in the Little Rock public schools; three sons, John Autry of New York city, Dr. Paul Autry, house doctor at Baptist State hospital, and Daniel Autry, student in the University of Arkansas Medical School; two brothers, two sisters and two grandchildren, all of whom were present.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday at Immanuel Baptist church in charge of the Rev. Otto Whittington, pastor. Baptist ministers in Little Rock and North Little and deacons of Immanuel church will be honorary pallbearers. Burial will be in Roselawn Memorial park.

The committee on the Costs of Medical Care, in a report to the U. S. Department of the Interior, shows that more than 10,000,000 persons are treated annually in the hospitals of the country.

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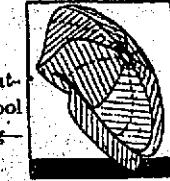
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CHILDREN'S SHOES—A good assortment of Oxfords, one-strap, and high top shoes. Kid leather and patent. Values to \$1.44. WARD'S Closing Out Sale Price 69c

BOYS' SCHOOL SHOES—One table of Oxfords and high top shoes in black and tan Kid leather. Values to \$2.98. While t' hyelast, WARD'S Closing Out Price \$1.29

MISSSES SCHOOL SHOES—Black and brown Oxfords and one-strap. Kid and patent leather. \$2.98 values. While t' last ... \$1.49

WOMEN'S ROCHELLE SHOES—A good selection of Oxfords, one-strap and three-eye ties. \$3.98 values. REDUCED to \$2.67

BOYS' WORK SHOES—One table of boy's work shoes. Black and tan Scout and moccasin toe style. Ideal for rough wear. \$2.49 values. WARD'S Closing Out Sale Price \$1.29

MEN'S HEAVY WORK SHOES—Two heavy outer soles sewed and tacked. Heavy tan uppers, triple soled and riveted. \$3.98 values. WARD'S Closing Out Price \$2.49

ONE TABLE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S HOUSE SHOES—In felt, leather and satin with feather trim. Values to \$1.98. WARD'S Closing Out Sale Price 79c and ... 98c

MEN'S DRESS SHOES—Men! here's some real values, these shoes formerly sold for \$4.98. To clear them from our stock before our store closes, we have reduced the price to \$2.49

ONE TABLE WOMEN'S FOOT HEALTH SHOES—Never before have you been able to buy shoes of this quality and style at this low price. Just think a genuine Foot Health Shoe with built in arch support. \$3.98

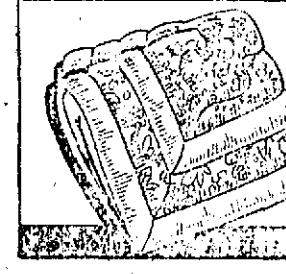
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MEN'S HI-CUT ALL LEATHER BOOTS—Genuine goodyear welt construction and sewed around heel seat. Oil tanned chrome leather uppers. An outstanding value at its regular price. But you can buy it for less during WARD'S Closing Out Sale. Prices Reduced to \$3.98



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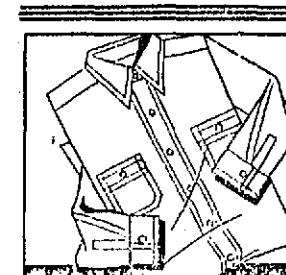
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